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In the application of: Pedersen et al.

Application No.: 09/539,287

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for a one month extension of time extending the period for response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2001 in the above-identified application to February 25, 2002 (the first business day following the Sunday, February 24, 2002). Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge a fee of \$110.00 for the above-requested extension of time. Applicants further authorize the Commissioner to charge any additional fee or amount deemed due in connection with the filing of this paper (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 50-0285 (order no. P48D1-US).

Respectfully submitted,

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